

REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on April 24, 2006, in which claims 1-18 were allowed and claim 19 was rejected. With this Amendment, independent claims 1-18 are pending in this application.

Claim Rejections

In the Office Action, claim 19 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102. With this Amendment, claim 19 has been canceled.

Allowable Claims

In the Office Action, claims 1-18 were indicated to be allowable.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, this application containing pending claims 1-18 is in condition for allowance. Notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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